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SUBJ: SYG REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL US OBSERVERS FOR UNTSO

REF: USUN 5096

1. BELOW IS TEXT OF LETTER FROM SYG TO AMB. SCALI REQUESTING
USG TO MAKE AVAILABLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL 28
OBSERVERS FOR UNTSO. LETTER STATES THERE WOULD BE NO OBJECTION
IF SENIOR US OBSERVER HOLDS RANK OF COLONEL. IN SEPARATE
DISCUSSION UN SPECIAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR LIU
ASKED MISSION TO PROVIDE NAMES OF 28 OBSERVERS BY NOV 28
IF AT ALL POSSIBLE SO THAT UN COULD ARRANGE VISAS.
INCIDENTALLY, LIU SAID THERE NO OBJECTION
TO OBSERVERS ARRIVING JERUSALEM SAT, DEC 1, IN LINE WITH
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DOD'S PRESENT PLANNING (JOHNSON-CDR. COODMAN, DOD/ISA).

2. BEGIN TEXT:

"DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR,

"I WISH TO REFER TO THE OFFERS MADE BY YOUR GOVERNMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS TO MAKE AVAILABLE OBSERVERS FOR SERVICE WITH THE UNITED NATIONS TRUCE SUPERVISION ORGANIZATION IN PALESTINE (UNTSO).

"IN A LETTER DATED 6 NOVEMBER 1973 ADDRESSED TO THE PRES OF THE SC, I ASKED HIM TO BRING THOSE OFFERS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL. IT IS INDICATED IN THE SAME LETTER THAT THE TWO GOVERNMENTS HAVE EACH OFFERED THIRTY-SIX OBSERVERS 'WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO AND WILL NOT EXCEED THE SIZE OF THE LARGEST NATIONAL GROUP OF OBSERVERS NOW IN UNTOS'. IT IS ALSO INDICATED THAT THE UNTSO MILITARY OBSERVERS ARE UNDER THE COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF UNTSO AND ARE RESPONSIBLE TO HIM, AND THAT "THE ADDITIONAL OBSERVERS WILL HAVE THE SAME STATUS AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME RULES AND REGULATIONS AS THE EXISTING OBSERVERS OF UNTSO.'

"I AM NOW PROCEEDING WITH THE NECESSARY STEPS FOR THE INCORPORATION AND DEPLOYMENT OF ADDITIONAL US AND SOV OBSERVERS. IN THIS CONNECTION I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU GOVERNMENT WOULD MAKE AVAILABLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TWENTY-EIGHT OBSERVERS WHO, WITH THE EIGHT OBSERVERS ALREADY ASSIGNED TO UNTSO, WILL BRING THE TOTAL STRENGTH OF THE GROUP OF US OBSERVERS TO THIRTY-SIX. THESE OFFICERS SHOULD HOLD THE RANK OF MAJOR OR CAPTAIN. THERE WOULD BE NO OBJECTION IF THE SENIOR US OBSERVER HELD THE RANK OF COLONEL (INSTEAD OF LIEUTENANT-COLONEL AS IS NOW THE CASE).

"IN THIS CONNECTION, I ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE NOTE CONCERNING THE SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF MILITARY OBSERVERS FOR UNTSO AND THE UNITED NATIONS MEDICAL AUTHORITIES. I ALSO ENCLOSE FOR YOUR INFORMATION A COPY OF THE UNDERTAKING WHICH THE OBSERVERS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN UPON JOINING UNTSO.

"PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. AMBASSADOR, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONFIDENTIAL

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CONSIDERATION."

3. DOCUMENTS MENTIONED IN PENTULTIMATE PARA POUCHED DEPT (IO/UNP-KIMBALL).
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